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SUBJECT: LISTS OF DISAPPEARED IN ARGENTINA
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1. [REDACTED] ENTIRE TEXT)

2. DEPARTMENT IS SENDING TO YOU VIA AIR POUCH THREE COPIES OF LISTS DESCRIBED IN REFTEL. WE WISH TO PRESENT THESE LISTS OFFICIALLY TO THE GOA BOTH IN WASHINGTON AND BUENOS AIRES WITH REQUEST THAT GOA REVIEW CAREFULLY THE LISTS OF NAMES IN ORDER TO REMOVE PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR; WE LEAVE TO YOUR JUDGMENT THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL FOR PRESENTATION OF LISTS TO GOA IN BUENOS AIRES. REQUEST THAT YOU ADVISE WHEN YOU WILL MAKE PRESENTATION SO THAT WE MAY COORDINATE TIMING HERE.

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3. IN MAKING PRESENTATION YOU SHOULD DRAW ON FOLLOWING TALKING POINTS:

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-- THE MANY GROUPS THAT HAVE INTERESTED THEMSELVES IN THE PROBLEM OF THE DISAPPEARED IN ARGENTINA HAVE RECEIVED A LARGE NUMBER OF REPORTS FROM MANY SOURCES CONCERNING INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE DISAPPEARED.

-- NONE OF THESE GROUPS HAS HAD THE RESOURCES OR THE AUTHORITY TO CHECK THE AUTHENTICITY OF ALL THE REPORTS OF DISAPPEARANCES OR TO FOLLOW UP ON ALL INDIVIDUAL CASES TO ASSURE THAT PERSONS WHO REAPPEAR ARE REMOVED FROM THE LIST OF THE DISAPPEARED.

-- WE HAVE RECEIVED EXTENSIVE LISTS COMPILED BY THE ARGENTINE INFORMATION SERVICE CENTER, THE PERMANENT ASSEMBLY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE.

-- WE HAVE RELIED IN THE PAST ON THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S HUMAN RIGHTS WORKING GROUP FOR INFORMATION ON INDIVIDUAL CASES.

-- GIVEN THE SIZE OF THE VARIOUS LISTS AND THE DIFFICULTIES OF KEEPING THEM CURRENT, WE BELIEVE THAT MANY OF THE PERSONS WHO ARE INCLUDED IN THESE LISTS AS DISAPPEARED MAY HAVE BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR IN ANY NUMBER OF WAYS.

-- ONLY THE GOA IS IN A POSITION TO DRAW ON THE NECESSARY RESOURCES TO REVIEW THE LISTS OF DISAPPEARED AND, IN CASES WHERE THIS IS POSSIBLE, MAKE AN ACCOUNTING.

-- TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE ATTENTION THAT HAS
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BEEN FOCUSED ON THIS ISSUE IN ARGENTINA AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE IN THE INTEREST OF THE GOA TO REVIEW CAREFULLY THESE LISTS WITH THE OBJECT OF REMOVING FROM THE CATEGORY OF DISAPPEARED THE NAMES OF ALL PERSONS OTHERWISE ACCOUNTED FOR.

-- IF AN EFFORT IS NOT MADE TO REMOVE FROM THESE LISTS THE NAMES OF PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR, THEY WILL TEND TO BE ACCEPTED AS "FINAL" LISTS AND WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THE AUTHORITATIVE ACCOUNTING OF THE NUMBER OF DISAPPEARED.

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-- CONSIDERING AS WELL THE FORTHCOMING VISIT OF THE
INTERAMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, WE BELIEVE THAT
THE GOA WOULD IMPROVE THE CLIMATE FOR THIS VISIT BY
HAVING ESTABLISHED IN ADVANCE THE WHEREABOUTS OF AS
MANY OF THE DISAPPEARED AS POSSIBLE. VANCE

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